

**PLUMBERS' EXAMINING BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: August 13, 2014

Meeting Location: Central Conference Room, State of Maine - Gardiner Annex, Northern Avenue,  
Gardiner, Maine

Time Meeting Began: 9:00 a.m.

**Roll Call of Officers:**

The following members were present:

Percy Brown, Jr., Chairman

William Longley, Jr.

Aaron Ford

The following members were absent:

Lawrence Dempsey

Lawrence Kent

Staff Present:

Catherine Carroll, Board Administrator

Dana Tuttle, Senior Inspector

Vickey Gray, Board Clerk

AAG Present:

Christopher Mann

**Call to Order and Welcome**

Percy Brown called the Plumbers' Examining Board to order.

**Welcome New Board Member**

Percy Brown welcomed the newest board member, Aaron Ford.

**Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made to table the minutes of the June 11, 2014 meeting until the next board meeting due to a lack of a quorum of board members who were present at that meeting.

Motion: William Longley, Jr.

Second: Percy Brown

Unanimous

## **New Business:**

### **Complaint Presentations**

#### **2013-PLU-9274**

Christopher Mann presented the facts of the case. A motion was made to dismiss this complaint for lack of board jurisdiction.

Motion: William Longley, Jr.  
Second: Aaron Ford  
Unanimous

#### **2013-PLU-9737**

Dana Tuttle presented the facts of the case. A motion was made to offer a consent agreement which contains an admission to violating Title 10 §8003 5-A-(5) and the 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code Chapter 1-103.1, 103.5 and 103.5.3 and a requirement to paying a civil penalty of \$250.00.

Motion: William Longley, Jr.  
Second: Aaron Ford  
Unanimous

## **Administrator's Report**

Catherine Carroll informed the members that Prometric has indicated that the revisions to the Maine Plumbers' Examining Board Examinations were placed into production at test centers on August 5, 2014. Dana Tuttle will be taking the examination in the near future to ensure that revisions have been made. Catherine also informed the members that the contract with Prometric is up at the end of this year and that RFP's will be requested from interested vendors. The staff has been busy keeping up with telephone calls and license applications. Catherine reported that Commissioner Anne Head had a column in the Bangor Daily News which gave an overview of the Department's efforts to get veterans licensed in the trades. Catherine identified future rulemaking to adopt the 2015 UPC which under provisions of the Board's laws is major substantive rule making. At the request of board members, Catherine will routinely provide copies of consent agreements that have been ratified to the members.

## **Senior Inspector's Report**

Dana Tuttle reported that he's been busy in the field and with telephone calls. Dana reported that he is currently dealing with issues regarding grounds sprinkler systems in mobile home parks. Dana informed the members that he is finding a fair number of journeymen and trainees working beyond the scope of their license. Dana informed the members that there will be complaints coming before the board as hearings in the near future.

## **Other Business**

The members met with David Braley from the Well Driller & Pump Installers Commission to discuss the possibility of creating a Memorandum of Understanding with the Well Driller & Pump Installers Commission regarding licensing a trainee or journeyman plumber to pull and replace well pumps. It was agreed to have

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the Commission and the Board further discuss conflicts and voids between the two sets of rules regarding these licensing requirements.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:23 A.M.

*Respectfully submitted,*

Vickey Gray  
Board Clerk